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Lack of a Doctor to Close Ala. Drug Store

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TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala. —Darden's drug store at Opelika, a familiar landmark that has served the local and traveling public for more than forty years, will close its doors in the near future for want of a young physician or pharmacist to take over the still successful and thriving business.

Founded by Dr. John M. Darden at the turn of the century, it has served the needs of more than 300,000 persons in an area of 15,000 square miles and is the only pharmacy operated by colored persons in a territory ranging from Atlanta to Montgomery and from Birmingham to Mason.

Dr. Darden plans to convert the store into a general office building where he will continue his duties as a member of the county health unit, Lee County jail physician and a member of the local draft board.

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Chicago, Illinois

Doctors Eye J. A. Andrew Annual Clinic At Kegee

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TUSKEGEE, Apr. 2—(ANP)—The program is now complete for the John A. Andrew Clinical society and possibly the most outstanding clinic held in its 31st consecutive years at the John A. Andrew Memorial hospital, Tuskegee Institute, beginning on Founders' day, April 12, and continuing throughout the week, according to Dr. John A. Kenney, medical director, founder of the clinic and secretary-treasurer of the clinical society.

The elaborate program contained at least 50 numbers, including presentations of papers, addresses and teaching clinics.

Representatives of the teaching staffs of the following medical institutions will take part: University of Chicago, Northwestern university, Emory university, Atlanta; Meharry Medical

Howard university, St. Louis university and University of Cincinnati.

Among the hospitals to be represented by members of their staffs are Freedmens hospital, Washington; Provident, Chicago; Municipal No. 2, Kansas City; Homer G. Phillips, St. Mary's and Peoples, St. Louis; George W. Hubbard, Nashville; Harlem, New York; Community, Newark; Community, Norfolk; Lincoln, Durham; St. Agnes, Raleigh, and many others.

There will be in attendance representatives from departments of health of Newark, N. J., and Montgomery, Ala. One surgeon, a professor of surgery from a big institution, is willing to give as many lectures on 11 different topics as time will permit. Another, a master surgeon in one of the country's largest hospitals, and one who is an eloquent instructor from New York City, will duplicate the above with 11 different subjects, according to time and opportunity.

There will be other attractions of especial interest in different branches of medicine. There will be demonstrations with the bronchoscope (the instrument for looking into and removing foreign bodies from the windpipe and lungs)! and with that new rare instrument, the gastroscope (which is used for looking down into the stomach for the detection of disease.) A round table discussion will be held, dealing with part of the Negro physician in defense programs. This will be a live and important topic in connection with which there will be an address by an army authority on emergency service in civilian defense.

153 physicians and surgeons from all sections of the country. Dr. John A. Kenney, secretary-treasurer of the society, reports.

The opening address was delivered by John H. Hale, M. D. Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., with President William Moses Jones, M.D., presiding. Papers were delivered by Walter Gray Crump, M.D., New York; Julius Levy, M.D., Newark, N. J.; Henry C. Gehrand, M.D., Montgomery, Ala.; J. G. Gathings, M.D., New York; Taft Raines, M.D., Chicago; Clarence S. Janifer, M.D., Newark, and J. H. Hale, M.D., Nashville. Many of the papers were accompanied by lantern slides and followed by discussion.

Throughout Monday physicians, visiting nurses, dentists and patients were arriving. A high spot in the week's program will be the C. T. Roman health meeting in the institute chapel at 6:30 p.m. Wdenesday. This meeting will honor Dr. U. G. Dailey and Dr. Carl G. Roberts, Chicago; Dr. Louis Wright, New York; Dr. W. A. Warfield, Washington, D. C.; Dr. J. E. Perry, Kansas City, and Dr. John E. Kenney, pioneers, on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the John A. Andrew Clinical Society.

The annual address with the award of the distinguished service medal will be made by Edward L. Turner, M.D., president, Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn.

After the award a paper, "Emergency Medical Services in Civilian Defense," will be read by Judson D. Dowling, M.D., regional medical director, office of civilian defense, Atlanta, Ga. This will be followed by a round-table discussion on "the part of the Negro doctor in national defense."

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TUSKEGEE PLANS CLINIC, MEETING

John A. Andrew Society Reports Attendance Highs Set

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala., April 14—The 31st annual clinic and 25th annual meeting of the John A. Andrew Clinical Society opened at Tuskegee Institute Hospital Monday morning with registration reaching a first day high of

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Clinical Association Convention Will Be Held At Tallahassee

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla — According to its secretary-treasurer, Dr. L. H. B. Foote, the annual Florida A. & M. Clinical Association will convene at the A. & M. College, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, February 10, 11 and 12, under the presidency of Dr. A. O. Campbell of Tallahassee, Florida.

The executive committee, at the pre-association meeting of the Clinic, invited the following prominent guest clinicians to conduct clinics and demonstrations, and to perform operations during the three-days meetings: Surgeon-in-chief, Dr. J. J. Thomas, Homer G. Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri; Guest Dental Surgeon, Dr. R. Beecher Costa, New Haven, Connecticut; Guest Gynocologist, Dr. J. A. Long, Staff of Small Sanitorium, Palatka, Florida; Guest Internist, Dr. A. W. Plump, Staff of Children's Home Hospital, Birmingham, Alabama; Guest Otolaryngologist, Dr. J. G. Stuart, Stuart, Waverly Hospital, Columbia South Carolina; Guest Neurologist, Dr. E. H. Leo, Veterans Hospital Tuskegee, Alabama; Guest Roentgenologist, Dr. L. J. Peters, Veterans Hospital, Tuskegee, Alabama; Guest Orthopedic Surgeon, Dr. John W. Chenault, John A. Andrews Hospital, Tuskegee, Alabama. Many other outstanding physicians and dentists of Florida and neighboring states will be present to contribute to and paricipate in the clinic this year.42

Dr. Parran In Announcement In Washington

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Thus far the matter of deciding which doctors shall be permitted to go to war has been in the hands of the Procurement and Assignment service for physicians, dentists and veterinarians, now an agency of the War Manpower commission. Negroes have a separate but recognized, procurement and assignment body, developed from among members of the National Medical association. In the past this post has been regarded as something of a plum.

The first two incumbents, Drs. Bousfield and Roscoe Giles, both of Chicago having been given respectively, titles as lieutenant colonel and major. The result was that after the recent NMA convention in Cleveland, three prominent doctors descended on Washington to suggest to the war department that each or either of them be named chairman of the Negro assignment and procurement division. The department declined to name either of the three and appointed Dr. John W. Lawlah, dean of Howard Medical school and superintendent of Freedmen's hospital in Washington. Dr. Lawlah is a product of Provident hospital in Chicago, the same institution which produced Bousfield and Giles and which furnished most of the top men at Ft. Huachuca.

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Appointed In U. S. Health Service

DR. W. A. MASON, who has recently been appointed Acting Assistant Surgeon by the United States Public Health Service and stationed at Fort Valley, Ga.

Dr. W. A. Mason for the past seven years has been associated with Meharry Medical College as instructor in medicine, assistant professor of medicine (Syphilology) and director of the out patient clinics. He also served as visiting physician to the Tennessee Vocational School for Colored Girls, besides having a large practice.

Dr. Mason was sent by the Rosenwald Fund as a special student to the National Institute of Health, Washington, D. C., for orientation in the work of the United States Public Health Service which course was sponsored by the United States Government. At the completion of the course he was inducted into the United States Public Health Service and assigned to work in Health Education at Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Ga.

Dr. Mason is a graduate of Meharry Medical College, class of '29. After having completed his undergraduate work at Ohio State University. He received his internship at Provident Hospital, Baltimore, Md., during which time he received special training in venereal diseases at University Hospital, University of Maryland.

Following this he was appointed clinician syphilis survey by the commission of Health, State of Tennessee.

Dr. Mason is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Chi Delta Mu Medical Fraternity, Kappa Pi Honorary Medical Society, R. F. Boyd Medical Academy and the National Medical Association.

Daily World
Atlanta, Ga.

Ga. Dentists To Meet At Augusta

AUGUSTA, Ga.—(S N S)—The fifth annual convention of the Georia Dental Societey, Dr. M. A. Casells, of Brunswick, president, will be held at the University of Georgia School of Medicine and University Hospital June 22-24. Convention headquarters will be in Dugas Hall, at the school of medicine, where lectures and business sessions will be held, while surgical clinics will be conducted at the hospital.

Heading the list of guest clinicians will be Dr. John A. Turner, associate professor of oral surgery of the Howard University College of Dentistry and oral surgeon of Freedman's Hospital. Dr. Turner will perform various types of surgical operations within the oral cavity. Dr. S. A. Reddick, of Columbus, will give a demonstration on correct impression technique and the importance of obtaining vertical dimention in denture construction.

Other clinicians slated to appear before the body include: R. E. Studivant, professor of crown and bridge technique, Atlanta-Southern Dental College; Frank Lamons, specialist in children's dentistry; H. J. Harpole, assistant professor of oral surgery, Atlanta-Southern Dental College; and Dr. J. G. Williams, director of dental health education, State Department of Public Health, who will display the famous movie, "About Faces," which already has created a national sensation.

Aside from the regular program, a refresher course is being offered under auspices of the University of Georgia.

According to Dr. G. B Warren, Dental Society secretary, a record attendance is expected from Georgia cities, while doctors in Florida, Alabama and South Carolina have been extended an invitation to attend the convention.

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St. Louis, Missouri

MO. PAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION WILL CONVENE TUESDAY

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Women's Auxiliary to Open Three Days Session At Same Time

The 32nd annual session of the Missouri Pan-Medical Association will open a three-day session at the Pine St. Y. M. C. A. Tuesday with Dr. L. V. Miller, acting president, presiding. The annual convention of the Ladies Auxiliary will convene at the Y at the same time.

Public Meet Tuesday

A public mass meeting will be held by the medical association Tuesday at 8:30 p. m., at First Baptist Church. Prominent speakers will deliver addresses.

Matters of National Defense and what is and can be done for the benefit of our professional group will be considered by the doctors. Important clinics will be held at Homer Phillips Hospital and a symposium — Important papers will be read by various doctors.

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Auxiliary To Meet

The Auxiliary will hear well known speakers during the day Wednesday. There will be a panel discussion on "How Women Might Assist in the 'All Out' Victory Program!"

Dr. W. B. Christian, superintendent of Homer G. Phillips Hospital will be serving as secretary at the state meet for his 17th year. Other officers are Dr. Earle Williams, Lovejoy, P. Elect; Dr. E. S. Bailey, St. Louis, V. P.; Dr. E. Y. Strawn, St. Joseph, Asst. Secty., and Dr. W. W. Yerby, St. Louis, Treas.

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DENTAL HEADS WILL CONVENE AT MEHARRY

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Schedule Conference At Nashville, Tennessee, For February 23

NASHVILLE. — (ANP)— Dr. L. A. Howell, Tampa, chairman, executive board, National Dental association, issued a call to board members and committee chairmen of the association to convene at the dental college of Meharry Medical college Saturday, Feb. 23, to further the plans for the general convention August 10-14.

Dr. Howell will present plans for an "advanced first aid" training for members of the dental profession to better prepare them in case of local air raids and also to assist the physician and nurses already selected for such duties.

Other points to be discussed include the further integration of the colored dentist in the armed forces through the granting of commissions to inducted men preventing the designation as privates with a consequent loss of the medical knowledge they possess. Especially is this true in many camps now without the services of Negro dentists and physicians.

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He mentions that the up-to-date equipment and facilities of Meharry and housing accommodations in Nashville are a definite advantage for the annual convention.

The convention planning committee consists of Dr. L. A. Howell, Tampa, chairman executive board; Dr. M. D. Wiseman, Washington, D. C., chairman national program committee; Dr. J. A. Jackson, Charlottesville, Va., secretary-treasurer, and Dr. Leon A. Reid, Richmond, Va., national president. Other officers expected are executive board members Drs. R. H. Thomson, Westfield, N. J.; C. W. Dorsey, Philadelphia; C. L. Barnes, Houston; M. R. Hebert, Chicago; P. W. Hill, Clarksdale, Miss.; W. M. Springer, Cincinnati; R. Layne, St. Louis and M. L. Walton, Thomasville, Ga.

Present also will be the following committee chairmen: Drs. A. S. Hunter, Durham, N. C.; W. T. Burke, Dallas; M. D. Wiseman, M. R. Dean, R. A. Dixon, H. C. Edwards, W. J. Madison, J. L. Davis and J. C. Brazier, all of Washington, D. C.; J. M. G. Ramsey, Richmond, Va.; J. H. Plummer, Chicago, and F. H. Norris, East Patterson, N. J.

The faculty of Meharry and the local dentists are acting as hosts to the national dental convention and they will submit their scientific and social program for the approval of the national officers.

NATIONAL DENTAL ASSOCIATION
Chicago Bee
Chicago, Illinois

DENTAL HOST—The above pictured committee chairman and officers of the Capitol City Dental association, August 10-14. The national president, Dr. Leon A. Reid, Richmond, Va., advised the local officials to go ahead with the convention program because the office of the director of defense transportation, J. B. Eastman, assured that there would not be any curtailment of passenger railway traffic in the near future. Also the inland location of Nashville is away from the over-crowded eastern coast.

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Highlighting the meeting is the military first aid course offered by Dr. Leo Holton, Washington, at which sessions the dentists will be instructed in first aid measures to carry on with the physicians and nurses. Outstanding faculty members of Meharry Dental college are to give clinics and exhibitors will show the latest and most improved types of dental equipment and materials.

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The social program includes a picnic barbecue, stag and grand ball with special plans for the dentists' wives and the dental hygienists.

Shown in the group reading from left to right are: Dr. William H. Watson, chairman of exhibits and finance committee and faculty member; Dr. D. H. Turpin, chairman, scientific program committee, faculty member and vice-president, National Dental association; Dr. C. W. Eneas, faculty member; Dr. R. F. Sandford, chairman, local program committee, vice-president, Capitol City Dental society and secretary of faculty; Dr. J. F. Perkins, chairman, housing committee and secretary, Capitol City Dental society; Dr. J. B. Singleton, chairman, entertainment committee and faculty member; Dr. S. C. Freeman, president, Capitol City Dental society and faculty member.

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D. H. TURPIN ELECTED NEW PRESIDENT

AUG 22 1942

Buy War Bonds; Set Next Convention Site In Cleveland, Ohio

NASHVILLE. — (ANP) — Dr. William O. Claytor, Washington, assumed the office of president, National Dental association, at the concluding business session on Friday at Meharry Dental college.

Dr. Claytor stated that the association voted 10 of each individual yearly regular dues for the purchase of defense bonds in the name of the organization.

Other officers elected are Dr. D. H. Turpin, Nashville, president-elect; Dr. Robert H. Thompson, Westfield, N. J., vice president; executive board members for three year terms are Dr. C. E. Williams, Chicago; Dr. A. S. Hunter, Durham, N. C; Dr. L. A. Howell, Tampa, chairman; executive board members for one year term are Dr. J. E. Watts, Vauxhall, N. J.; Dr. C. L. Thomas, Louisville; Dr. M. R. Dean, Washington; Dr. J. E. Carter, Augusta, Ga; Dr. W. B. Gibson, St. Louis, and Dr. W. J. Howard, Houston.

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Cleveland was selected as the convention city for 1943 providing that the national emergencies permit.

The almost 500 dentists present set a record for the association along with the total of 29 states and the District of Columbia represented among those present.

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Norfolk, Virginia

Shortage Of Physicians Big Problem

Two Honors Given Mrs. Alma Givens, Auxiliary Founder

CLEVELAND, Ohio—With more than 1,500 physicians on hand, the National Medical Association concluded its 48th annual convention at Central High School last weekend after its largest and most successful annual meeting.

In spite of war time restrictions, the largest crowd to ever attend the session of an annual NMA convention heard high military officials, including Major Sam F. Neeley, chief of the Washington bureau which handles the procurement and assignment to the armed forces of the America's doctors, discuss the role of the Negro physician in relation to the war effort and to the problems created by the emergency.

Delegates from every state were on hand, coming here from as far East as Massachusetts and as far West as California.

RESOLUTIONS

Significant resolutions, condemning the segregation of Negro blood in Army and Navy blood banks and asking for government grants to help alleviate the dangerous scarcity of Negro doctors, highlighted the business sessions of the convention.

The doctors declared that there was no scientific difference between the blood of white and colored donors and decried the establishment of separate blood banks.

NEED DOCTORS

Calling attention to the dire shortage of Negro medical personnel, considerably aggravated by the war crisis which has taken from most colored communities several of its physicians for service with the Army medical corps, the physicians resolved to place the problem before federal authorities with the hope that some government subsidies can be granted which would increase facilities for training and also help worthy students to defray the expenses of training.

It was pointed out during the discussion that although arrangements had been made to increase the capacity of Meharry and Howard medical colleges, these facilities, even when operating at capacity, would fall far short of adequacy in view of the dire shortage existing now. It was suggested the government subsidies might help to open up other facilities to Negro medical students.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Working under a new constitution, which has substituted a board of trustees for the original executive board, the physicians elected the following officers: Dr. E. I. Robinson, Los Angeles, Cal., president-elect; Dr. F. D. Stubbs, Philadelphia, Pa., first vice president; Dr. C. Raymond Reeves, Atlanta, Ga., second vice president; Dr. I. Bradshaw Higgins, Baltimore, Md., third vice president.

Dr. John T. Givens, Norfolk, Va., general secretary; Dr. P. A. Stevens, Chattanooga, Tenn., assistant secretary; Dr. A. C. Terrence, Opalousa, La., recording secretary; Dr. A. Porter Davis, Kansas City, Kan., assistant recording secretary; Dr. E. T. Taylor, St. Louis, treasurer.

Dr. G. Hamilton Francis, Norfolk, Va., speaker of the house of delegates; Dr. J. N. Mills, Durham, N. C., vice speaker; and Dr. J. A. Long, Palatka, Fla., secretary, house of delegates.

Trustees are: Dr. W. G. Alexander, Orange, N. J., chairman; Dr. J. D. Wilson, Detroit; Dr. L. M. Hill, Atlanta; Dr. J. E. Wallace, Cleveland; and Dr. C. Herbert Marshall, Washington.

NO PLACE NAMED YET

Several cities invited the 1943 convention. However, the committee on time and place made no final decision in the matter because of the critical war emergency. It was felt that the decision would have to be delayed until it could be reasonably ascertained what the transportation situation would be next August.

Members of the womens' auxiliary of the N. M. A. bestowed two unique honors on its founder, Mrs. Alma Givens, of Norfolk. She was elected president-emeritus and a new scholarship project which is destined to make available to deserving medical students scholarship aid from the women's auxiliary, was named the Alma Wells Givens Scholarship Fund. This fund is to be accumulative. It was not decided when the first scholarship would be awarded.

WOMEN'S OFFICERS

Meeting on the theme, "Social Hygiene in Civilian Defense," the women endorsed the blood bank resolution of the NMA and elected the following officers: Mrs. W. G. Alexander, Orange, N. J., president; Mrs. J. E. Alexander, Charlotte, N. C., president-elect; Mrs. Matthis, Washington, D. C., vice president; Mrs. J. J. Thomas, St. Louis, secretary; Mrs. W. P. Dickerson, Newport News, Va., treasurer; Mrs. Christian Kilgore, Tex., chaplain; Dr. Bessie Badham Small, Denton, Md., chairman of executive board; and Mrs. D. W. Byrd, Norfolk, Va., chairman advisory board.

RADIO SPEAKER

Dr. H. E. Lee, Houston, Texas, president, conducted the general meetings of the convention. The scientific papers, clinics, and exhibits were of a high order, according to an informal poll of the physicians present.

Dr. A. N. Vaughan, past president of the association, delivered an inspiring radio address over the "Wings Over Jordan" Sunday religious program on the Sunday before the convention opened.

The social affairs, given by local clubs and committees, were regarded as the most brilliant and unique in the history of the convention.

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NMA DENIES BIAS CHARGE OF STIMSON

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Pittsburg Kan.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 26 (ANP)—Disturbed and thrown on the defensive by statements made at a press conference by Secretary of War Stimson last Friday in Washington, during which the Secretary declared that Negro organized medical groups had asked for separate Negro wards, staffed by Negro physicians, and that these were being set up, officers of the National Medical Association entered vigorous denials here Saturday.

The statement of the NMA claimed:

"We do not and will not subscribe to separation or segregation of any race of the American people; most certainly not to ours.

"To clarify our attitude, we submit that we subscribe wholeheartedly to 'democracy,' not 'white' democracy; not 'black' democracy; but to the democracy which says 'all men are created free and equal and are born with certain inalienable rights;" yes, we subscribe to the democrcy which lives up to these ideals. This and only this is that for which men live and die."

New York physicians, misled by a daily paper's misquotation which translated the Stimson statement to read, "American Medical Association" which is the white medical body, launched protests which were nullified somewhat by the disclosure that AMA was not the oranization mentioned.

Afro-American
Baltimore, Maryland

Dr. Bousfield Is Replaced as NMA Chairman

MAY 2 - 1942

CHICAGO.—(ANP)—Dr. M. O. Bousfield was replaced as chairman of emergency procurement and assignment committee of the National Medical Association, and Dr. Roscoe C. Giles, both of Chicago, named to succeed him by the association's board of trustees in its meeting at Tuskegee Institute, according to Dr. R. M. Hedrick of Gary, Ind., chairman.

Dr. Hedrick said the action was taken because Dr. Bousfield as head of the new army base hospital now being formed at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., will not have time to serve the NMA. He stressed the fact that this action must not be construed as opposition to the all-colored unit by the NMA official family, as has been interpreted in some quarters.

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Pittsburgh Courier

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Daily World
Atlanta, Georgia

Doctors To Hear Report On Work Done At Ft. Huachuca

Annual Session To Be Held At Cleveland, Ohio

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Kansas City Call
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Daily World
Atlanta, Ga.

SHORTAGE OF PHYSICIANS BIG PROBLEM

Two Honors Given Mrs. Alma Givens, Auxiliary Founder

CLEVELAND, OHIO—(SNS)—With more than 1,500 physicains on hand, the National Medical Association concluded its 48th annual convention at Central High School last week-end after its largest and most successful annual meeting.

In spite of war time restrictions, the largest crowd to ever attend the session of an annual NMA convention heard high military officials, including Major Sam F. Neely, chief of the Washington bureau which handles the procurement and assignment to the armed forces of the America's doctors, discuss the role of the Negro physician in relation to the war effort and to the problems created by the emergency.

Delegates from every state were on hand, coming here from as far East as Massachusetts and as far West as California.

RESOLUTIONS

Significant resolutions, condemning the segregation of Negro blood in Army and Navy blood banks and asking for government grants to help alleviate the dangerous scarcity of Negro doctors, highlighted the business sessions of the convention.

The doctors declared that there was no scietnific difference between the blood of white and colored donors and decried the establishment of separate blood banks.

NEED DOCTORS

Calling attention to the dire shortage of Negro medical personnel, considerably aggravated by the war crises which has taken from most colored communities several of its physicians for service with the Army medical corps, the physicians pledged to place the problem before federal authorities with the hope that some government subsidies can be granted which would increase facilities of training and also help worthy students to defray the expenses of training.

It was pointed out during the discussion that although arrangements had been made to increase the capacity of Meharry and Howard medical colleges, these facilities, even when operating at capacity, would fall far short of adequacy in view of the dire shortage existing now. It was suggested that government subsidies might help to open up other facilities to Negro medical students.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Working under a new constitution, which has substituted a board of trustees for the original executive board, the physicians elected the following officers: Dr. E. I. Robinson, Los Angeles, Cal., president-elect; Dr. F. D. Stubbs, Philadelphia, Pa., first vice president; Dr. W. Ward Reeves, Atlanta, Ga., second vice president; Dr. I. Brandshaw Higgins, Baltimore, Md., third vice president.

Dr. John T. Givens, Norfolk, Va., general secretary; Dr. P. A. Stevens, Chattanooga, Tenn., assistant secretary; Dr. A. C. Terrence, Opalousa, La., recording secretary; Dr. A. Porter Davis, Kansas City, Kan., assistant recording secretary; Dr. E. T. Taylor, St. Louis, teasurer.

Dr. G. Hamilton Francis, Norfolk, Va., speaker of the house of delegates; Dr. J. N. Mills, Durham, N. C., vice speaker; and Dr. J. A. Long, Palatka, Fla., secretary, house of delegates.

Trustees are: Dr. W. G. Alexander, Orange, N. J., chairman; Dr. J. D. Wilson, Detroit; Dr. L. M. Hill, Atlanta; Dr. J. E. Wallace, Cleveland; and Dr. C. Herbert Marshall, Washington.

NO PLACE NAMED YET

Several cities invited the 1943 convention. However, the committee on time and place made no final decision in the matter because of the critical war emergency. It was felt that the decision would have to be deplayed until it could be reasonably ascertained what the transportation situation would be next August.

Members of the women's auxiliary of the NMA bestowed two unique honors on its founder, Mrs. Alma Given, of Norfolk. She was elected president-emeritus and a new scholarship project which is designed to make available to deserving medical students scholarship aid from the women's auxiliary, was named the Alma Wells Givens Scholarship Fund. This fund is to be accumulative. It was not decided when the first scholarship would be awarded.

Meeting on the theme, "Social Hygience in Civilian Defense," the women endorsed the blood bank resolution of the NMA and elected the following officers; Mrs. W. G. Alexander, Orange, N.J., president; Mrs. J. E. Alexander, Charlotte, N. C., president-elect; Mrs. Matthis, Washington, D. C., vice president; Mrs. J. J. Thomas, St. Louis, secretary; Mrs. W. P. Dickerson, Newport News, Va.; treasurer; Mrs. Christine Kilgore, Texas, chaplain; Dr. Bessie Badham Small, Denton, Md., chairman of executive board; and Mrs. D. W. Byrd, Norfolk, Va., chairman advisory board.

RADIO SPEAKER

Dr. H. E. Lee, Houston, Texas, president, conducted the general meetings of the convention. The scientific papers, clinics, and exhibits were of a high order, according to an informal poll of the physicians present.

Dr. A. N. Vaughn, past president of the association, delivered an inspiring radio address over the "Wings Over Jordan" Sunday religious program on the Sunday before the convention opened.

The social affairs, given by local clubs and committees, were regarded as the most brilliant and unique in the history of the convention.

Columbia S. C. State
April 19, 1942

Negro Doctors Meet This Week In Columbia

The forty-sixth annual meeting of the Palmetto Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical association and sixth clinic will be held in Columbia Tuesday through Friday.

Three days of intensive clinical work will be done at the Good Members of the medical, dental and pharmaceutal professions from five states—Alabama, Florida, North Carolina, Georgia and South Carolina—wili attend the clinic.

Scientific and public sessions will be held at Benedict college and Allen university.

Dr. W. H. Young of Anderson, president of the association, will deliver the annual address to the members Tuesday night. Dr. J. A. Robinson of Darlington will deliver the oration on medicine.

Advance registration of the members of the association, according to Dr. Durham Counts, secretary, indicates a greater interest than in previous years. Requests for accommodations of patients is greater than in previous years.

Dr. Leroy Baxter of Orange, N. J., a former member of the New Jersey legislature, will be the principal speaker Wednesday night at Allen university at the only public session on the program.

The women's auxiliary will hold its session Thursday at Salters Memorial church.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
May 21, 1942

Letters

Appreciative Doctors

Negro Physicians Testify to Value of Walden Course

To the Editor of The Chattanooga Times:

The Negro physicians are very appreciative of the special course given at the Walden hospital on the diagnosis, treatment and control of venereal disease by the state board of health.

This course is being given in the four larger centers of the state. The Negro physicians are showing unusual interest and eighteen of the twenty-one in this area attended the course. Those attending were Drs. Key, Moores, McIntosh, Jr., Tadley, Capehart, Brown, Taylor, Patton, Callier, Conyers, Scott, Wheeler, Thompson, Looney, Stephens, Astrapp, Russell and Perry.

The lecturers were specialists in their field and unusually good. Drs. McGinnis, Rock, Shaw, Axelrod, Patterson and Frere. This course was requested by the Volunteer State Medical association and was made possible by the state and federal governments. The Negro physicians have never had such a treat before and they wish to express their gratitude.

DR. P. A. STEPHENS,
President Volunteer State Medical association.
Chattanooga.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
April 12, 1942

NEGRO MEDICAL SOCIETY PLANS FIRST-AID WORK

The Mountain City Medical society, Dr. P. A. Stephens, president, met Friday night at Walden hospital and appointed a committee to co-operate with Dr. J. B. Steele's committee, in the matter of securing air-raid stations and first-aid stations for Negroes in Chattanooga.

A special committee from the society had conferred with Dr. Steele shortly after the other appointments were announced, and with the full co-operation of the society; it is hoped that stations and appointments will be made for the Negro group at an early date, Dr. William A. Thompson, corresponding secretary and member of the committee stated last night.

Members of the committee to work in the civilian defense emergency with Dr. Steele's committee are Drs. I. L. Patten, N. B. Callier, Edel Farnandis McIntosh, Jr., E. M. Brown and Dr. Thompson.

Globe and Independent
Nashville, Tenn.

Nashville Ready For Meeting Of Dentists, Aug. 10

National Convention Will Bring To City Noted Clinicians; Expect 500 To Attend Annual Meeting

(Associated Negro Press)—The Capitol City Dental society, composed of Meharry Dental college faculty members and local practicing dentists, will act as hosts to the 500 or more dentists of the National Dental association for their 29th annual convention August 10-14.

Featuring the meeting will be a scientific discourse on "Significance and Value of Full Appreciation of Military Dentistry" by Dr. Oren A. Oliver, president of the American Dental association, and practical demonstrations and lectures on "Military First Aid" by Dr. Leo S. Holton, Washington, D. C.

Among the other prominent clinicians are "Prosthetic Dentistry," Dr. Ewell Neil, former professor of dentistry at Meharry; "periodentia" by Dr. Clifton Dummitt, staff, Meharry; "Oral Surgery" by Dr. George P. Seeman, Meharry; "Children's Dentistry" by Dr. Walter McFall, member Tennessee State Board of Dental Examiners; "Medical Cases Presenting Dental Aspects" by Dr. Edward L. Turner, president, Meharry; "Public Health Program and Exhibits" by Dr. Phillip E. Blackaby, director, Tennessee State Health department; "Educational Program" by Dr. Don Clawson, director dental school, Meharry; "Surgical Proceedures" by Drs. Maurice H. Hebert, Chicago, and George L. Broett, Lancaster, Pa., and "Importance of Dentistry" by Dr. Emory W. Morris, general director, W. K. Kellogg foundation, Battle Creek, Michigan.

The facilities of Jubilee hall, Fisk university, will house the dentists and meals will also be served there.

The social program includes a public health meeting Tuesday, August 11, followed by a stagg; Wednesday night "Reception By the Lake" on the campus of Tennessee A. and I. will be a country barbecue and Thursday night the big dance.

Bridge parties and sight seeing tours are planned for the dentists wives as well as for the dental hygienists. The latter group will hold their convention in the nurses home of Meharry.

Journal and Guide
Norfolk, Virginia

Dental Society To Discuss Defense Aid

President Reid Of The NDA To Be Guest Speaker

DANVILLE, Va.—The 29th annual session of the Old Dominion Dental Society will be held here at the Elks Home, April 6 and 7.

Dr. Leon Asbury Reid of Richmond, president of the National Dental Association, will outline the position of his group on the role of members of the profession in national defense.

The agenda includes clinics on crown and bridge work, pyorrhea prosthesis, pedodontis and inlay technique; experts from the Bureau of Standards will discuss physio-chemical properties of Amalgams. Miss Love Jackson, D. D. S. of Charlottesville, will be on the program and assist the clinicians.

DR. J. CONWAY WILSON

HISTORY CITED

Because of the war emergency which has made necessary the rationing of rubber, gas, and other essentials to the traveling public, comfortable transportation may be greatly impeded next year; members of the Society are therefore urged to make every possible sacrifice and effort to attend this convention.

This is reputed to be the oldest organization of its kind among our group, and was founded in February, 1913 in Newport News Va., by pioneers in dentistry among them Dr. D. A. Ferguson Dr. Norman H. Lassiter, Dr. J. M G. Ramsey and others. Dr. Ramsey alone survives and is a trustee of Hampton Institute. Dr. J. Conway Wilson of Richmond, president of the Society, will preside. Visiting dentists are expected from New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New Jersey, the District of Columbia, Oklahoma and North Carolina.

For information write Dr. C. S. Cowan, chairman, local committee on arrangements.